

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF TODD COUNTY WATER)	
DISTRICT TO INCREASE ITS FEE FOR A ONE INCH)	CASE NO. 96-457
METER CONNECTION)	

O R D E R

On September 17, 1996, Todd County Water District ("Todd County") applied to the Commission for authority to increase its charge for a one-inch meter connection from \$500.00 to \$1,000.00. Todd County proposed an effective date of December 1, 1996.

After reviewing the application and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that further evaluation is necessary in order to determine the reasonableness of this proposed nonrecurring charge.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Todd County shall file the original and 6 copies of the following information with the Commission no later than 20 days from the date of this Order. Furnished with each response shall be the name of the witness who will be available to respond to questions concerning each item of information requested should a public hearing be scheduled.

1. Fill out the attached Nonrecurring Charge Cost Justification sheets and return them to the Commission along with the responses to the information requested below.
2. Provide the criteria used in determining the cost of labor (time & wage) for a one-inch meter connection.

3. Provide the criteria used in determining the cost, and hours of usage, for the backhoe rental for a one-inch meter connection.

4. In its letter filed October 11, 1996, Todd County states "At the time the Water District obtained it's [sic] last rate change, the tap-on fee for a one-inch service was adequate to cover the costs incurred in the actual installation of the service plus the parts required. Since that time both labor and parts costs have increased." Explain why the labor and parts costs have increased for a one-inch meter connection and not for a 5/8-inch meter connection.

5. Has Todd County reviewed its 5/8-inch meter connection charge as well as its one-inch meter connection charge? If so, does the 5/8-inch meter connection charge remain adequate?

6. Are commercial customers charged a different rate for water usage than residential customers?

7. How many customers of Todd County are currently provided water service through a one-inch meter?

8. How many customers of Todd County are currently provided water service through a 5/8-inch meter?


9. How many customers of Todd County are currently provided water service through any other size meter? Identify the size of the meter(s).

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 29th day of October, 1996.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


For the Commission

ATTEST:


Executive Director